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**THREE MALPRACTICE INSURERS PLACED UNDER
ADMINISTRATIVE SUPERVISION**

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Commissioner Paula A. Flowers today placed three insurance reciprocals—Doctors Insurance Reciprocal RRG, American National Lawyers Insurance Reciprocal RRG and the Reciprocal Alliance RRG—under administrative supervision in Tennessee.

Flowers' action follows financial questions about a related company that has been placed into receivership by the Virginia Bureau of Insurance.

All three reciprocals—groups of professional-service providers who have pooled resources to provide their own insurance—solely write malpractice insurance and are reinsured by Reciprocal of America (ROA), Richmond, Va. Under the reinsurance arrangement, the reciprocals have transferred all of their risk to ROA, which receives portions of insurance premiums collected by the groups.

ROA's financial condition could affect the reciprocals' ability to meet their insurance obligations. Administrative supervision allows the Tennessee Department of Commerce and Insurance to closely monitor the reciprocals' day-to-day business operations in an effort to protect Tennessee consumers.

"We are taking immediate action to fulfill our regulatory responsibility to protect Tennesseans who purchased coverage through these reciprocals," said Commissioner Flowers. "We continue to monitor these groups closely, and are working with Virginia insurance regulators to ensure protections are in place."

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